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And you are still only at the beginning of Conservation's big program. For every ton of coal mined, a ton and half is wasted; or, to put it differently, for every four tons mined, six tons are wasted. In the petroleum fields, enough natural gas goes to waste to light every city in the United States free of cost. The fire waste of the United States is the highest in the world; so is the bill of fire insurance. And greater than all these is the waste of human life in mine and factory.

### WOOD FLOUR

Consul-General Henry Bordewigh of Christiania reports:

Wood flour, or pulverized wood, by the Germans called holzmehl, is an article distinct from wood pulp and cellulose. It is made use of in the manufacture of dynamite and linoleum. It is made from sawdust, bought from the proprietors of sawmills. The requirements are that the sawdust shall come from spruce or pine logs mixed or unmixed, and that it shall be perfectly clean and unmixed with any particle of bark.

The sawdust is first kiln dried and then ground between milstones in about the same manner as wheat flour; it is led through a tube into the hopper of a vibrating sieve, built somewhat on the principle of a fanning mill. The sieve is furnished with cloth covered sides, through which the mass must pass. The cloth is of such flueness that it holds from 2,500 to 4,000 meshes, or punctures, to the square inch. The cloth is manufactured in Germany. For shipment wood flour is packed in sacks by machines imported from the United States. The flour is made in six or seven grades.

The principal markets for the Norwegian product are the United Kingdom, Germany and France; some is also exported to the United States. The export from Norway in 1907 amounted to 6,218 English tons, valued at $12.73 a ton, or $79,140. This value is that placed on the article for statistical purposes. Nearly all of the output is exported, as only small quantities are made use of in Norway.—From Daily Consular and Trade Reports.

### MANY DIVORCES IN KENT

DOVER, DEL., October 18.—Several well-known young people are concerned in the divorce courts at this term. Among the new cases filed and presented in open court to day for adjustment or trial later were the following:

Mary F. Stevenson vs. George Reynolds Stevenson. Mrs. Stevenson is represented by William M. Hope.

Walter Harrington vs. Sarah Hollingshead Harrington. Mr. Harrington's counsel is R. R. Kenney.

Daniel P. Keith vs. Lilian Keith.

Ann C. Dillaha vs. Albert F. Dillaha. In this case the defendant has entered an appearance, with T. C. Frame, Jr., as his counsel.

Robert T. Maloney vs. Tillie W. Maloney. Mr. Maloney's counsel are Kenney and Shockley.

Elizabeth Cowen vs. William H. Cowen.

Lillie May Reese vs. James E. Reese.

Mary Olevia Dennis vs. Samuel Dennis.

### HANGS HIMSELF IN CELL

James White, colored, aged 25 years, a twenty-year prisoner at the New Castle County Workhouse, killed himself in that institution during Friday night. His body, cold in death, was found hanging in his cell. The man had used the sheet on his bed for a rope. He tied one end around a pipe containing electric wires, running along the ceiling, and making a noose in the other end, placed it around his neck. He strangled himself to death.

Not a sound escaped from the man, and despite the fact that there were other prisoners confined immediately around him, they knew nothing of the affair until Saturday morning, when Guard John Black, in going down the corridor to see whether all the prisoners were out of their cells, at breakfast time, found White's body hanging from the pipe. He cut down the body.

### YOUNG MEN LAZY

The young man has had his day so long in the United States that it is of more than passing interest to find that a majority of the clerks in the Department of Commerce and Labor who are to go out as a result of Secretary Nagle's housecleaning are the younger members of the staff. Some of the old men have lost their usefulness through superannuation, but the boys show the greater amount of laziness and general shiftlessness. The theory that a man of fifty and more is out of the race when once he loses his job is not borne out by this experience in Washington. The young chap is more valuable than the old one if he can show an equal amount of fidelity, steadiness and uniformity of output. But the distractions of life are more likely to cause his mind to wander and to make him an unreliable cog in the industrial machinery. For this reason there is still room, even in America, for the steady old hand who makes up for his lack of celerity with other qualities that are just as valuable to his employer.

### FARM NEWS AND VIEWS

For the best results in artificial incubation good eggs are needed, a light, dry cellar with cement floor, an even temperature, and right conditions of moisture in the incubator. At the start the eggs should be kept at a temperature of 102 degrees, during the second week at 103 degrees, and at hatching time from 104 to 106 degrees.

As a producer of either grade of pure-bred horses for sale, the farmer has rich possibilities. There is a wide and strong market for all the product. The farmer who breeds and grows horses for market as a strong side line to general farming can make good money at it through intelligent direction and proper equipment. Raising colts on the farm does not require much extra capital or labor. A mare will raise a colt nearly every year and at the same time make half a team, except for two or three weeks after the colt is born. Many small farmers make much extra money by keeping only mares for farm work and breeding them regularly. Every year they have from one to three or four young horses to sell at good figures which have cost them only a small amount. The more pains taken in securing good stock and feeding and training the colts the more money there is in the business.

Sloppy mashes are not half so good for poultry as those which are a bit crumbly. Don't get them too wet.

Look at the feet of your horses now and then when out on the road. Sometimes they will pick up a stone between the sides of the shoes and may become lame before you know it.

The hog destined for the market has a short existence, and the profit upon him is in ration to the amount of healthy forcing he is given. The young, growing hog should be pushed along as fast as possible.

Swiss chard is growing in popularity. It is cultivated like the beet and is ready for use as a sort of substitute for asparagus within a few weeks after seeding. It lacks the richness of flavor of asparagus, but is a good substitute while the asparagus plantation is getting ready to bear. The long stalks are served as asparagus or as creamed celery, and the leaves may be cooked like spinach.

An occasional feed of sliced raw potatoes substituted for the grain ration of colts will prove beneficial to such colts as will eat them. Those that are not inclined to eat them can soon be taught to do so by cutting them very fine and mixing them with the grain ration. Potatoes are cooling and tend to prevent constipation. The latter must be guarded against when dry hay is fed. A branch mash once or twice a week into which a great spoonful of linseed meal has been stirred is an excellent laxative.

Cement walks on farms are becoming quite common in some communities. They are easily made and are everlasting if made right. A good many farmers are doing without them because of the expense. If the sand is hauled at odd times and the walk put down in sections as the time can be spared, the expense will not be felt, because the cost of materials in the country is not very great, and then it is a great satisfaction to have good walks.

If the subsoil is porous and allows the water to fall away rapidly so as to prevent freezing, it is not necessary to excavate for a foundation, as the walk will not settle. But where the subsoil is a stiff clay it is better to excavate from 14 to 16 inches and fill to within four and one-half inches with cinders or gravel to make a firm foundation. Two by fours are used for the sides of the form, taking great care to level them.

The medium mixture is one part Portland cement to two and one-half parts coarse sand and five parts crushed rock well mixed and thoroughly wetting it so it will pack well. This is shoveled into within one half inch from the top of the forms. The walk is now cut through the concrete to the cinders to allows for expansion and contraction.

The surface coating is composed of one part cement and two and one-half parts of sand mixed to the consistency of mortar and spread over the concrete in forms and smoothed with a trowel. Cover the walk to protect it from the sun and it will be ready for use in three days, but will not get its ultimate strength before thirty days.

One good, comfortable farm home in the neighborhood is sure to lead to others. The example is a good one. The example is a good one. The improvement of the farm home cannot help but have a good effect upon a neighborhood. We believe it is a stimulus to emulation on the part of the neighbors, so that they will vie with each other in the beautifying of their home. Friendly rivalry of this kind gives a rural district a desirable reputation. Why not you, dear reader, commence this work of making your home beautiful, laying it out more artistically, planting it tastefully, and it will surprise you how many imitators you will have. We all try to be as good as our neighbors, and generally some one has to be the starter. Why should not you be the leader in this work of beautifying homes on the farm?

It costs very little to lay out a lawn, plant trees and shrubs and have a few flowers and climbing vines by the house, and the effect is very pleasing. The enjoyment we get as we go along is worth more than the money we make. A pleasant setting for a farm house adds more comfort and solid enjoyment than the same amount of money laid out in handsome furniture or a stylish rig to drive.

Have you studied the advertising problem? Every farmer has something to sell that some one else wants. How do you find the wanters? If you fail to find them you must sell at a sacrifice, which not only means present loss, but a handicap on future sales.


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### USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

For neuralgia, bake a potato. Take from oven and place, without removing skin, inside of a cloth (an old stocking leg is suitable), crush the potato a little, and hold to or on the afflicted spot. This remedy will relieve pain from other causes.

Don't starch lace jabots and ties. Use borax water instead. They will look fresher and newer.

Don't hang table linen out on the line in freezing weather. Fold it and run it through a tightened wringer, and then wrap in a clean cloth. It will be ready to iron next day, and the wear and tear of freezing and whipping will be avoided.

For cold in throat or lungs a little kerosene and lard melted and rubbed in well will give relief at once; then place warm flannel over same.

Kerosene will clean the greasiest sink or vessel. Apply with cloth, then wipe dry with clean cloth.

For the person who sleeps in a small room, where the bed must necessarily be placed near the window, or for anyone who is sensitive to draft, but who desires fresh air in the sleeping-room, a wind curtain will prove useful. Obtain a piece of table oilcloth, a little wider than the window, and extending as high as you may require the window to be opened. Stitch a hem in each end, through which run a curtain rod, and place hooks in such a position on the window frame that the curtain will be held tight. Not only does this prevent drafts while letting in plenty of fresh air, but it effectually keeps out any rain or snow. This can be rolled up in a small space in the day time, only the hooks remaining in sight to tell the story.

For a preventive for cramps in the limbs at night, try smelling of strong spirits of camphor thoroughly, or take a few drops of valerian before going to bed each night.

For rheumatism, make tea of Virginia snake-root—what you purchase for 10 cents will make four drawings—about a half pint when ready to drink. Put a pint of water on the root; simmer; drink hot before retiring. Sweat will be produced. Do not check it. Lie still and sleep. In the morning sponge, bathe and repeat the tea dose every night for two weeks. Leave off for a few nights, then repeat for two weeks more; rest again. Eat nourishing food, very little meat, plenty of fruits. Apples are good. Continue the snake-root tea until relieved. Wear soft, light flannel underclothing.

Use adhesive plaster to fasten labels to cans or bottles. It is dangerous to leave either without being plainly labeled.

To prevent tinware rusting rub over with fresh lard and put in a hot oven for a few minutes before using it. If treated in this manner it will never rust.

The knife used for peeling a pineapple should never be used for slicing it, as the rind contains an acid that is apt to cause a swollen mouth and sore lips.

When ironing between buttons on a shirtwaist, place the buttons down on a folded towel and iron on wrong side. The result will be very pleasing to both ironer and wearer.

When the eyes are tired from too long use or reading by insufficient light, moisten pieces of old linen or absorbent cotton with some good extract, and place them on the closed eyelids for fifteen minutes or longer while you lie down in a quiet room.

To preserve cut flowers, at the same time save changing the water, fill the vase two-thirds full of clean sand. Stick your roses or other flowers so they will remain just as you put them, then add water and see how much longer they will keep fresh. Sometimes the stems of roses and carnations will root in the sand.

If housewives who dislike to find worms when cutting apples would first put the fruit in cold water they would find the worms would leave the apples and come to the surface of the water.

Salt mixed with vinegar is excellent for cleaning copper utensils.

To remove iron rust, wet the spots with salt and lemon juice, and hold the material over the steam of a teakettle, then put out in the sun.

Salt and lemon mixed will often remove ink stains that are fresh.

To set colors in cotton materials, soak before washing in strong salt water.

The housekeeper with a handsome table dreads to see it marred with hot dishes. Even with the greatest care plates will be set down on the cloth directly out of an oven, and the wood once scarred nothing will remove it but doing over the top of the table. It is important, therefore, even when a cloth is used, to have a protection for the table. The one ordinarily used is a thick piece of felt or canton flannel, that can go in the wash tub. A substitute that is found to meet all these objections is a folding table protection of asbestos, made up on a light wood frame. These are arranged in sections, or semi-circles as a table is round or square. For the former the asbestos is made in two half circles, with segments that fold back on one another, so that they can be stowed easily in a sideboard drawer.

In this country there seems to exist an unconquerable dislike for olive oil in all its uses and states. As a matter of fact it is efficacious as a beautifier and health builder. It is an excellent fattener, and if one can acquire the habit of taking a tablespoonful after each meal it is an aid to the digestion, complexion and general health.

After every bath an infant children should be rubbed with olive oil to strengthen them. Hot olive oil will relieve the lameness in the feet which is caused by long standing. It is also excellent for a skin which has been made hard and dry by exposure to the weather. A little oil rubbed into the skin at night makes it soft and smooth.


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### HOUSEHOLD LETTER

**The Bride's Linen Chest**

The chest stocked with household linen and napery is a most important part of the outfit of every girl who is looking forward to her wedding day, and its contents are only limited by the environment and circumstances of the family.

**The Linen Shower**

The Linen Shower which is the popular form for congratulatory gifts, on the announcement of an engagement, often forms the nucleus of the collection, though many girls have several handsome pieces of their own work for a beginning. Centres, doilies, runners, and tea cloths, as well as embroidered and lace trimmed fittings for chiffonier and dressing table are the usual articles sent, and while all white decorations are still favorites.

**Colored Embroideries**

in floral designs are being revived to a considerable extent. The designs are used in connection with drawnwork, or with lace borders and insertions. And among the smaller articles, sets of washable napkin rings, candle shades, or menu frames—which are like small photograph frames are very much liked.

**Some Novel Doilies**

For plate doilies, and other sets to be used on the polished table, lace trimmed and pierced linen embroideries in all white are most used. Some very novel doilies solely for decoration are made by embroidering, matching floral designs of from three pieces up, on plain linen. These take the form of sprays, wreaths, bunches or baskets of blossoms and are done in colors, the edges of the pattern carefully buttonholed to allow of their being cut out when finished. These are placed on the lace cloths or centres after the manner of natural flowers, and permit considerable variety of effect.

**Table Laces**

Cluny is the most desirable all round lace for the Bridal chest, since it looks well anywhere and is not too perishable and costly for use. Filet laces combined with fine Cluny, embroideries and even Duchess lace are among the show pieces that are suitable only where surroundings are palatial. A moderately sized cloth of this description sells at $500.

**Japanese Rennaissance**

Rennaissance made by the Japanese in smooth neat finish at the price of the coarse pieces sold on bargain counters that brought this style into disrepute, is again making a successful bid for popular favor. English pierced embroideries combine well with lace, or are in themselves sufficiently decorative to be a welcome addition to the bride's stores.

**Everyday Line**

For the daily needs, the napery that must go constantly to the laundry and emerge fresh and attractive, and useful for a long time, there are Scotch damask in good patterns of pure linen at from $1 per yard up. Irish, German and French linens all come in any desired degree of satiny flueness and in beautiful matched patterns, so that there is an endless variety for choice to suit all tastes and pocketbooks.

**Wise Buying**

No experienced housekeeper will consider buying poor quality, cheap, trashy, materials that will not stand the test of laundering or wear. There are always well known reliable brands of linen and cotton sheets and pillow cases like those of the Defender Manufacturing Co., that are not extravagantly priced, but are well cut and made and sized correctly, and keep shapely and good looking as long as they are used.

**Single Sizes Most Needed**

Now that two single beds rather than the old fashionable double sizes are the rule in furnishing the narrow sheets are most in demand, and the medium size pillow, two to a bed replacing the older style.

ELEANOR FRANCES.

### SELF-DENIAL

The practice of self-denial has undergone a great change since in ancient days when people underwent all sorts of privations and hardships—not for any particular good but presumably for the discipline of the spirit. Nevertheless there still remain traces of the old practices and disciplinary modes of thought. We very often see people who are confronted with two courses of conduct equally wise and good invariably choose the more difficult one, simply because it is the harder one. They seem to feel that there is special merit in making themselves bear unnecessary burdens.

Suffering for the sake of suffering, self-denial for the sake of self-denial should be excluded from one's course of conduct. When we are to make a decision in regard to two or more lines of action let us remember that the great question is "What can we do best?" If tempted to speak evil of any one, to take things that do not belong to us, to speak in a cross manner when out of humor—if self-denial is practiced in the right way how much better it would be.

### REAL FUN FOR HALLOWE'EN

**Oldtime Rowdyism Should be Superseded by Other Amusements**

Every boy feels that he has a special right on Hallowe'en night to go out and have some fun. Somehow or other the fun is very apt to be at the expense of other people. It may seem very amusing to take gates off their hinges and hide them, but this is cruel fun, for it makes work for the older people who have to put them back again.

Ringing doorbells is another standing joke that may turn out badly. Some boys once stood a board up against a front door, rang the bell and ran across the street to see what would happen. A woman came to the door with a lighted lamp in her hand, and the board fell against her, smashing the lamp, and setting her on fire, so that she was terribly burned.

There are plenty of ways of having fun without injuring anybody, and a good plan is to get up a Hallowe'en masquerade party. Let every boy hunt up the queerest old clothes he can find and dress in them, so that the others will not know him. If he hasn't a mask he can rub his face with burnt cork, or paint himself to look like an Indian, doing anything that will make it hard for the other boys to recognize him.

An interesting game for Hallowe'en is a fortune hunt on the order of a cobweb party.

The witch presiding over the revels should start it by waving her broom in the air seven times, then pounding it on the floor the same number of times, giving vent as she does so to blood curdling groans.

At the signal two goblins appear, small boys dressed entirely in brown with pointed caps and long, pointed shoes. Their hands and faces should be stained a deep brown, and the make-up should be weird.

Each of them should carry a pouch slung over his shoulder; one filled with silver crescents wound with purple cord for the men; the other with gold crescents wound with red ribbon for the girls.

Each guest takes a crescent and follows it to its start, winding cord as she goes.

Attached to the other end of the string are all sorts of small articles with rhyming fortunes fastened to them. To the ribbon of a girl could be found a tiny bank filled with pennies and this rhyme:

For you there'll be no lover bold,
But a "crooked stick" o'erlaid with gold.

Another girl may get a small tea cup with a tiny cat tied to handle, and this inscription:

No husband I see, in the future for thee;
So seek consolation in Tabby and tea.

To one of the men's ribbons could be tied a paper doll dressed as a bride, and this rhyme:

Good elves this year will crown they life
With the gift of a rich and beauteous wife.

To another can be fastened a small boy doll sandwiched between two peaches, and this rigmarole:

Beware, my young man, how to each
Of two beauties, you say, "You're a peach!
That I want for my own."
They will make you atone.
Both will cling to your vows like a leach.

### DIVORCE EVIL

It cannot be denied that in these days, when all the energy of a certain part of the community is devoted to the suppression of divorce, and when clerical obstinacy, born of narrow-minded prejudice, is exerted to tighten the bonds of ill-mated and unhappy people, there is a singular and inconsistent disregard of the evils of improper marriage.

It is the custom for these people, who cannot believe that marriage is anything else but a "divine institution," to urge and coerce unfit, unthinking and irresponsible youth to rush into each other's arms, and to enter into a contract which so often means misery for one or both.

All the physical and mental handicaps, which are well known to physicians and psychiatrists, are brushed aside, and natural laws are ignored for worldly or other reasons. What is little short of conspiracy is often entered into by worldly and ignorant parents, sometimes assisted by these very clerics, who conceal the truth to marry women who are the subjects of periodical insanity, with necessary existing psychiatrical taint, or women to espouse men with histories of hereditary or acquired venereal or other disease, or drunkenness.

It seems, therefore, nothing but right that the sociologist should do his part in teaching the people their responsibility in bringing into the world offspring who are likely otherwise to drop by the wayside; and in pointing out means of betterment.


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## DELAWARE COLLEGE RUFFIANISM

Perhaps it was too much to hope that our own Delaware College would escape the contagion of the silly "hazing" lawlessness that is going the rounds of many of the larger institutions of learning; but the hope was indulged by all the sensible well-wishers of our fine College that President Harter, following the example of the authorities at West Point where this same sort of cowardly ruffianism was entirely stamped out, would have put a like ban upon the exhibition at his college of this odious, un-American importation from England.

The Wilmington *Evening Journal* of October 19th, states that two young members of the Freshman class were given a ducking in the creek. If either of those young men should contract pneumonia and die as a result of the barbarous trick played upon him, the cowardly Sophomores who perpetrated the outrage, would be liable before the criminal courts for manslaughter.

At another college several young men were stripped of their clothing on the streets of the city of Philadelphia and the shocked residents in the neighborhood were compelled to close their shutters by reason of the indecent behavior of the upperclassmen. In yet another college in Pennsylvania, several young men were held for nearly an hour till one-half drowned under a pump.

Quite a number of deaths have resulted from these exhibitions of thuggery by young men who are presumptuously abusing their privileges as students of the supposedly enlightening Arts and Sciences, to demean themselves as naked savages. If the average college youth must once a year, have a relapse into blanket-barbarism, in his "class-rush," which not unfrequently results in broken bones and like serious injuries, let him have it if the college directors think it a necessary part of the modern liberal education. At least that sport is open and fair, and lacks the contemptible "double teaming" of three or a dozen to one which invariably characterizes these cruel jokes wheresoever they are played.

"But it is custom" say our Sophomores—"wise fools" as the Greek means; yes, but "a custom more honored in the breach than in the observance," like quite a number of other old "customs" of savagery, scalping, cannibalism, etc! Think you any parent that sends a son to Delaware College, desires to have him thus needlessly, wantonly put in peril of disease or death, because of such an idiotic custom! Or do the college authorities consider hazing a very good advertisement for their institution? If they do not—why not give the whole silly business a quietus—once for all? Delaware College cannot afford another student tragedy to please a bit of imported boy-student folly.

## A LONG BORNE BURDEN

How much longer will the people of this land tolerate the refusal of their servants in Congress to enact the Parcels Post law for which the need is so crying because, forsooth, certain millionaire Senators like old Platt who are big stock holders in the Express Companies, which are robbing the masses blind, forbid? John Wanamaker when Postmaster-General, some 18 or 20 years ago, said there were but four reasons why this public benefit could not become a law, viz: Adams Express Co., Wells-Fargo Express Co., United States Express Co, and American Express Co.

This all sufficient reason still holds good, thanks to which all these companies have for many years paid enormous dividends e. g. Wells Fargo pays 50 per cent. or more yearly on its capital stock!

But our government has kindly eased nearly all mankind of this tyrannous burden of an outrageous express tax—except its own citizens! This sounds absurd—not to say impossible, but it is true all the same. A Japanese or an Englishman from Tokio or Australia, can send by U. S. mail any amount of merchandise up to 11 pounds [illegible] in size not bigger than [illegible] in length and girth, to any [illegible] of this country for 12 cents a pound, but our own citizens can not send even 100 miles by mail more than 4 pounds in weight and for that scant privilege must pay ½ more per pound! These fat express companies are conspiring to combine and further twist the people with their merciless tolls.

It is shown beyond any question that the big annual deficit caused by rural delivery will more than be made up, if each carrier deliver, as he easily can, but a few pounds daily of Parcels Post matter.

Ask Congressman Heald and Senators duPont and Richardson what they are going to do about it, if anything.

## INVOLUNTARY BATH FOR STUDENTS

### "Freshies" Wouldn't Remove "Soph" Posters so Overboard They Go

NEWARK, Del., Oct. 10.—After a quiet three weeks, the inter class feeling between the Delaware College Freshmen and Sophomores has again been thrown into a high pitch. Posters, on which the Sophomores were called a bunch of circus animals, covered all the telegraph poles and conspicuous places in the town yesterday morning.

Throughout the entire day the members of the "Class of 1912" had been huddled together in little bunches and talking earnestly on what they were going to do to the "Freshies." Naturally the latter got wise to some of the intentions of the second year men, consequently eight of them took a north-bound train at East Newark in the middle of the afternoon. Since none of the Wilmington students have borne the brunt of the hazing they were picked by the "Sophs" to scratch out the posters if it had to be done by useing an ice cold bath as a little persuader.

Seven Freshmen tried to get away from the B. and O. station on the 4.22 o'clock train, but when the train pulled in there was fourteen "Sophs" on hand to prevent such a lack of class spirit. A lively fight took place. However when the train pulled out each Freshman was under the immediate care of twice as many of his opponents. The seven men then marched meekly back to the dormitories and were locked up in three of the empty rooms. After they had seen the overwhelming numbers of the "enemy" every "Freeh" subdued and awaited the advertised circus of the middle of the night.

Promptly at 7.30 o'clock the captives were taken into the college oratory and a concert by the "Nineteen-thirteeners" was the result. After an hour's amusement in this manner the Sophs took three of the Freshmen out to wipe out the posters. One man consented to do the trick, but two others flatly refused. As a result the latter were led to White Clay Creek and there they took a little swim for their disobedience.

In the meantime, five Sophs went after another Freshman. They found him and started to rejoin the crowd. But when they started up Main street with their prize, they were baffled by ten of the fibre-mill workers. These men took the Freshman away and threatened the destruction of the entire student body if the hazing continued. The upper classmen intend to take proper care of this statement.

At 10 o'clock the boys returned to their studies, the "Class of 1912" having again drawn the upper hand. The Freshmen had the proper spirit, except that thier president walked eight miles in order to catch a train to evade the happenings of the night.

## TERRIBLE FATE

### Farmer Thrown From Carriage and Burned to Death on Highway

George Purnell Hammond, a prominent farmer, 60 years of age, who resided on the farm of Alfred W. Powell, president of the Milford Trust Co., about five miles north of Milford, met with a horrible death, Saturday afternoon. He was returning home after a drive to Milford, when passing the Tub Mill his horse took fright at something lying in the road and jumped to one side, throwing Mr. Hammond out of his buggy. It is supposed Mr. Hammond was smoking his pipe at the time, and in falling the pipe set fire to his clothes. Being stunned he was not able to put out the fire, and as the wind was blowing the fire was soon fanned into a blaze.

Mrs. Henderson, residing nearby, was attracted by the smoke and ran to the spot, but before she got there all the victim's clothes were burned from his body. He was alive and conscious, however, and requested her to have him taken to his home, a few miles away. Help was soon summoned and he was taken to his home. Dr. William Marshall, Jr., was called and did all he could to relieve the unfortunate man, but he died that night.

Mr. Hammond leaves a wife and six children, all of them grown.

## LETTER TO M. B. BURRIS

Middletown Del.

Dear Sir: Here's a mail-order paint—there are several such—45 per cent of its solid part is barytes and whiting, and 35 per cent of its oil is benzine and water; the rest is zinc lead and oil.

Barytes whiting benzine and water have nothing to do with paint, except to make more gallons for victims to buy at $5 a gallons put on.

$5 a gallons put-on will buy the best paint there is in the world; here's a paint, about half neither pigment nor oil, imposed on the unsuspecting.

What is the remedy? What is the Victim to do? Do you favor a pure-paint law in your State?

North Dakota has lately passed such a law; it is worth, we presume, $5 a year to the average man. What is wanted, of course, is paint of such strength that 10 gallons will do a 10-gallon job and wear a long time. Devoe is that paint. Should counterfeits be put-down by law?

Yours truly

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## SUNDAY SCHOOLS ANNUAL SESSION

### Enthusiastic County Convention Was Held in Newport on Thursday

Perhaps never in the twenty-two years since the New Castle County Sunday School Association has been in existence was there such a large attendance and such spirited sessions as were in evidence at the annual county convention, which was held Thursday in Newport M. E. Church. The attendance was so great that the seating capacity of the church, which is by no means small, was taxed, and chairs were placed in the aisles, while many persons stood in the rear of the church. Three sessions were held, all of which were interesting and helpful.

A feature of the day was the presence of Miss Mary Hopkins, of Seaford, the State secretary, who made several brief addresses, and also speeches by Dr. Harry E. Carmack, a prominent Sunday school worker, of Pittsburg. There was a delegation of about 150 Sunday school workers, representing practically every Protestant school in the county. Luncheon and dinner was served downstairs in the Sunday school room, with the Newport women acting as hostesses. The various Sunday schools represented were designated by banners of the schools placed about the church. Above the pulpit was an emblem of the Scientific Temperance Department. Officers were elected during the afternoon.

There was a warm discussion when the resolution committee suggested that the per capita membership be raised from two to five cents per member, thereby enabling the county association to pay to the State fund $500 for carrying on the work. Some were opposed on the grounds that it would not be possible to secure the amount, and they did not want to promise the sum when it could not be raised. The matter was finally settled when the Rev. W. F. Corkran suggested an amendment to the resolution, that it was the sense of the association to secure the amount named.

The preliminary service was led by Pastor W. L. Pettingill, of North Baptist Church, his theme being "Isaiah's Vision." The meeting was called to order by President George G. Penny. The address of welcome was made by the Rev. W. W. Sharp, pastor of the church. Greetings were given by the president, after which the state secretary, Miss Mary L. Hopkins, gave a brief greeting. Reports were given by the secretaries of the various hundreds all of which were heard with a great deal of interest.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee—J. W. Carrow, Jr., Elwood Farra, Warren Singles, William B. Smith, Jr., Joseph Hamilton, Edwin S. Golding, D. B. Maloney, Wilmer C. Highfield and Joseph Buck.

Enrollment Committee—Mrs. William Gallagher, Mrs. H. F. Weldin, Mrs. Ella Myers, Mrs. Edgar Hilyard, Mrs. Alfred Craig and Miss Nettie Hanna.

Committee on Resolutions—L. P. Bush, Rev. G. M. Cleland, D. W. Stevens, Prof. A. R. Spaid, Frederick Bringhurst, C. L. Simmons, Rev. W. L. Pettingill and W. B. Genn.

Much of the afternoon session was given to reports of department superintendents. A lengthy report was made by J. Chandler Pyle, the corresponding secretary and treasurer.

The record of the statistical reports shows the following total number of memberships by hundreds and districts:

| | Schools | Membership |
|---|---|---|
| Appoquinimink | 5 | 427 |
| Blackbird | 4 | 264 |
| Brandywine | 9 | 685 |
| Christiana | 14 | 1168 |
| New Castle | 7 | 788 |
| Mill Creek | 12 | 866 |
| White Clay Creek | 12 | 920 |
| St. Georges | 13 | 748 |
| Pencader | 7 | 251 |
| Red Lion | 10 | 579 |
| Wilmington 1st Dist | 12 | 1453 |
| " 2d " | 14 | 2307 |
| " 3d " | 16 | 3261 |
| " 4th " | 18 | 4568 |
| " 5th " | 15 | 4019 |
| Total | 168 | 24915 |
| Two Schools unreported | 2 | |
| Total number reported | 166 | |

This report showed four schools closed during the year, and two new ones organized.

## DOVER HAS AN AIRSHIP

### Preacher and His Brother Invent an Aeroplane

DOVER, DEL., October 21st.—Dover has a flying machine invented by a preacher, Rev. W. D. LeFevre, of this town, and he and his brother, Enoch S. LeFevre, of Littletown, Pa., have secured a patent for an improved airship. Because of the fact that a clergyman is responsible, to a large degree, for the invention, considerable interest is being manifested here in the affair.

The LeFevre invention has a vertical mast fastened to the bottom of the machine. Near the upper end of the mast are stationary aeroplanes with controllable slats that can be thrown open when the craft is to descend, and closed when going forward or ascending.

Underneath the stationary aeroplanes are eight vertical lifting propellers. Four of the latter revolve like large kites around the central mast in one direction, discharging air underneath each other. This affords each aeroplane a stronger body of air to float upon than the air it gathers in itself.

It is stated that the eight revolving planes have more lifting surface than any of the airships now in existence. They are driven by an engine at greater speed than any other aeroplane. The inventors declare the airship will be capable of carrying large loads with ease and safety.

Rev. LeFevre has just returned from New York where he witnessed aerial demonstrations. He and his brother hope soon to build a machine along their lines of invention, and try it out in Dover.

### Sweet Potato Crop is Good

With high prices prevailing for food products it is encouraging news that comes from all parts of the peninsula to the effect that there is a particularly good crop of sweet potatoes. At Felton there will be more "sweets" housed this year than ever and several of the growers have had permanent storage houses with heating systems, built this year. The State Board of Agriculture there has received applications from dealers in various parts of the country, wanting the Delaware potatoes.


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## Sheriff Sales

SHERIFF'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Levaria Facias to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the Stanton Hotel, in the village of Stanton, Mill Creek hundred, New Castle county, Delaware,

ON FRIDAY,
THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1909,
at 12 o'clock, M.,

the following described real estate, viz:

All that certain messuage and three tracts of land, bounded and described as follows, viz:

No. 1—Situate in White Clay Creek hundred, New Castle county, Delaware. Beginning at a maple tree by the side of White Clay Creek, a corner of Isaac Moore's land; thence up the said creek, the several courses thereof about one hundred and fifteen perches to a willow; thence by land of Daniel Thompson, north sixty-eight degrees and a quarter, west twenty-seven perches and three-quarters to a stone, south seventy-seven and a half degrees, west twenty perches and one-quarter to a stone and south nine degrees and three-quarters, east one hundred and nine perches and four-tenth to a stone in a line of Isaac Moore's land; thence by said Isaac Moore's land, north eighty-one degrees east forty perches and seven-tenths to the place of beginning, containing twenty acres of land, be the same more or less.

No. 2—Situate in White Clay Creek hundred, aforesaid. Beginning at a stone in the middle of the road; thence by tract No. 1 aforesaid, south eight and three-fourth degrees, east twenty-five and three-quarter perches to a stone in a line of Joseph Maybin's land; thence by said Maybin's land south eighty-two degrees, west four and eight-tenths perches to a hickory tree; thence south seventy-one and one-eighth degrees, west nineteen and one-fourth perches to a stone; thence south eighty-three and one-eighth degrees, west fifty and five-tenths perches to a stone; thence north two and one-fourth degrees, west twenty-one perches to a stone in the middle of the road; thence down said road north seventy-six degrees east seventy-two and one-tenth perches to the place of beginning, containing eleven acres and thirty perches of land more or less.

No. 3.—Situate in Mil. Creek hundred, said New Castle county, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone in the centre of the public road, leading from Water's shop to corner Ketch and running from thence along the line of Richard G. Buckingham, south one degree and twelve minutes, east twelve chains and eighty four links to a stone, a corner of David Eastburn's land; thence thereby south eighty-four degrees, west thirteen chains and sixteen links to a stone, a corner of Rodman Walton's land; thence thereby north thirty-six degrees and seven minutes, west one claim and eighty four links to the centre of said road; thence up the middle of said road, north twenty-six degrees ten minutes, east four chains and twenty-eight links; thence north forty-eight degrees ten minutes, east four chains; thence thereby north sixth-three degrees, east three chains and fifty links; thence thereby north eight-two and one-fourth degrees, east four chains and fifty links to the place of beginning. Containing fourteen acres and thirty-one perches of land, more or less.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Godfrey R. Hanby, administrator of Jesse P. Hannum, deceased mortgagor, and to be sold by

CHARLES H. LIPPINCOTT,
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., October 12, 1909.

SHERIFF'S SALE.—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Levari Facias to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, on Market street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county, Delaware,

ON SATURDAY,
THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1909
at 10 o'clock, A. M.,

the following described real estate, viz:

All those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate in the town of Newport aforesaid, and more particularly bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

No. 1—Beginning at a point on the west side of John street, in the middle of Justus street; thence extending southward along the west side of John street seventy feet eight and one-half inches to a corner of land now of James Elwood Conlyn; thence westward by said Conlyn's land, on a line at right angles with said John street, ninety-nine feet to a point; thence northward on a line parallel with said John street, seventy feet eight and a half inches to the middle of Justus street extended, and thence eastward along the middle of said Justus street extended ninety-nine feet to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

No. 2—Beginning at a point on the west side of John street, at the distance of one hundred and thirteen feet eight and one-half inches, southward from the middle line of Justus street, and at a corner of land now of James Elwood Conlyn; thence westward by said Conlyn's land on a line at right angles with said John street, ninety-nine feet to a point; thence southward on a line parallel with said John street forty-two feet to another point; thence eastward and on a line at right angles with said John street ninety-nine feet to the said west side of John street, and thence thereby northward forty-two feet to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of James Elwood Conlyn, administrator of Orphy E. Vandegrift, deceased mortgagor, (the said Orphy E. Vandegrift and Eleanor O. Vandegrift named as one of the mortgagors in said mortgage, being and having been one and the same person) William N. Conlyn, James Elwood Conlyn and Ida M. Conlyn, his wife, mortgagors (Elizabeth Conlyn and Leonard C. Vandegrift, co-mortgagors, being also deceased), and to be sold by

CHARLES H. LIPPINCOTT,
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Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., October 13th, 1909.


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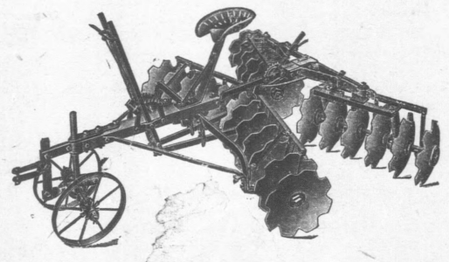

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| L. B. Morrow, | G. H. McCall, |
| V. H. Bacon, | Geo. F. Baird, |
| Delaware M. White, | F. C. Howard, |
| Edward W. Smith, | M. M. Cleaver, |
| Henry Bush, | WillardSpringer, MD |
| E. E. Hanna, | J. Edw. Reynolds, |
| P. W. Tomlinson, MD | T. B. Brison, |
| Henry Baird, | Albert Bucher, |
| J. P. Pyle, M.D. | Wm. H. Robinson, Jr |
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Going South—8.00 a.m., 4.15 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—75.0 a. m., 8.30 a. m. 11.30 a. m., 4.50 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Earlville 9.20 a, m, and 4.45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., OCT. 23, 1909


## Local News

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FOR SALE.—A two and one-half story dwelling on Crawford street. Apply to SAMUEL MERRITT.

Dr. J. C. Stites has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

Men's and Boys' Clothing cleaned and pressed on short notice. Satisfaction guaranteed. MRS. C. M. STANGER.

A masquerade ball will be given in the Middletown Opera House Friday evening, October 29th. The admission will be 50 cents to all.

Rev. C. M. Cullum of Warwick, Md., will begin a series of meetings in Warwick M. P. Church, beginning Sunday evening, October 31st.

Several young men have organized a brass band with about 22 members. They will purchase instruments and begin practicing in a few days.

E. H. Beck, Real Estate Broker, has sold 41 acres of land belonging to Franklin J. Pennington, adjoining Harry Spicer, to Charles T. Deakyne, for $4,100.

Mrs. I. R. McCrone will sell at public sale at her residence on Green Street on Saturday, October 30th, at 2.30 o'clock, her household, goods etc. See hand bills.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending October 7th: Mrs. M. N. Toughey, Mrs. Rachel Jefferson, Mr. Charlie Tuell.

There will be a grand Sunday School Rally at Warwick M. P. Church Sunday afternoon, November 7th, at 2 P. M. Program consists of music, recitations and address by Hon. W. F. Warbutton of Elkton, Md.

A dance will be given at Spa Spring Pavilion, Chesapeake City, Md., on Friday evening, November 5th, which bids fair to be this year's most attractive, as it will be given by a number of the young folks of that place.

Send your items and personal notices into the paper, that is the way to help make it interesting. Just sign your name, we won't publish it, and then the article will be sure of getting in.

After October first, the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 3.30 to 5; Fridays, 7 to 8.30; Saturdays, 3 to 5. The Library will be open on Tuesday evenings, from 7 to 8.30, for school children exclusively.

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Tuesday evening at their home near Galena, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cochran delightfully entertained at dinner, it being their fifth wedding anniversary. The house was beautifully decorated with asparagus and autumn leaves. Many useful and beautiful presents were received.

The twentieth annual convention of the Delaware Christian Endeavor Union will be held in the opera house at Georgetown on the 21st and 22nd of this month. Delegates are expected from every society in the state and the Endeavorers at Georgetown are making great preparations for the convention.

If you want to help a good cause patronize the Oyster and Poultry supper, to be held in the Town Hall, Warwick, Md., on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, October 27th and 28th, for the benefit of the M. P. Church. Cake and ice cream will be for sale, as well as some other attractive features.

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| Bran - - - | $29.00 |
| Badger Dairy Feed - | 28 00 |
| Sugarota Horse Feed - | 29 00 |
| Sugarota Dairy Feed - | 28.00 |

Two dollars ($2 00) per ton discount to our milk patrons.
MIDDLETOWN FARMS, Inc.

The Globe Clothing Store will begin next week to celebrate its ninth anniversary, and will make a special sale in honor of the event, when all of the latest and best fall and winter clothing, furnishing, shoes, etc., will be sold at remarkably low prices. See our announcement in the next issue of THE TRANSCRIPT.

The executive committee of the Farmers' Institute of New Castle County has decided to hold a Woman's Home Institute, at Middletown, on Wednesday, November 10th. The program will include addresses by Mrs. Wells, who was with us last winter; Miss Gray of Toronto, and Mrs. W. E. Simpson a graduate of the New York City hospital. Program will appear later.

Efforts are being made by the Trustees of the Forest Presbyterian Church to break up the practice of hitching horses on the church property surrounding the edifice on Saturday nights. Complaints had been made to the Chief of police, but he refused to act in the matter until warrants were issued or a sign forbidding the trespass was posted. On Saturday night last three teams belonging to white men were seized by the Chief, and there owners, after a hearing before the Magistrate, were fined $1 and costs each, amounting to $3, which was paid and the teams released. The trustees of the church naturally do not wish the lawn despoiled and are determined to break up the practice but do not wish to offend any one, yet hope to have no further trouble.

Having 2 copies of the American Encyclopedic Dictionary, I will sell one very cheap—Four volumes, 4800 pages. The English publishers spent $500,000.00 and the American revisers $100,000.00 more to make this superb work. Besides the dictionary proper there are several valuable features added by the American revisers. Address "BOOKS," Care of TRANSCRIPT.

A commercial autocar manufactured by the Autocar Co., of Ardmore, Pa., and capable of carrying 3,000 pounds at a maximum speed of 18 miles an hour is being operated by the Middletown Farms, Inc., between their factory here at Middletown and their store in Wilmington. The car is able to make the 24 miles either way with or without a load in about an hour and thirty minutes. This car is to be run here this winter as an experiment, and is guaranteed to make this trip whenever the roads are passable by teams. It makes two trips daily with ease and does work which would cost if done by the Adams Express, baggage ticket, freight, etc., from $10 to $15 per day. The gasoline and oil consumed in a trip costs about 50 to 75 cents. If this car is as successful as every indication would make one believe it will be, a great many more of them will be purchased by business concerns in and around Wilmington.

### THE STATE CORN SHOW

Preparations have been completed for the third annual State Corn Exhibition and Convention to be held in Dover, Del., November 18th. Judging from the number of inquiries received, it is safe to predict unusual interest in the event this year. The management of the Corn Growers' Association announces that more than $200 will be offered in premiums. There will be five classes this year, four for individual exhibitors, and one for Granges.

A special feature aside from the above classes, will be an exhibit made by Delaware boys who registered in the Corn Growing Contest last spring. These boys exhibited ten sample stalks of their corn at the New Castle County Fair, where they attracted much attention. Three classes are open to boys, one from each county to which four prizes will be awarded. Thirty-two boys are registered in this contest.

A special class of the regular exhibition is offered for the ten ears of corn of any variety or color shelling the greatest number of ounces of grain.

There will also be a contest between the Granges of each county for the best exhibit of 6 ten ear samples grown by six individual members of a Grange. A first and a second prize will be given in each county and a silver cup as sweepstakes.

The Corn Show is held earlier this year in order that the State Board of Agriculture may have the opportunity to select samples of corn to send to the National Corn Show at Omaha early in December. President Corbit of the Delaware Corn Growers' Association was recently elected a Vice President of the National Corn Exposition, and will represent the State and be in charge of its exhibit at Omaha.

The complete premium list of the Delaware Corn Show, together with the program of the convention, will be issued in a few days. Requests for the premium list or particulars regarding the exhibition, should be addressed to A. E. Grantham, Secretary of the Delaware Corn Growers' Association, Newark, Del.

[Contributed]

### A GOOD CITIZEN GONE

In the sudden death, at Kenton on October 15th, of Mr. Joshua M. Arthurs, his community and state lost an upright and valuable citizen.

Mr. Arthurs came to Kenton when but a lad and clerked in one of the village stores; later and until a short time before his death he kept a general store, bought grain, etc. Though a too generous trust in his fellows cost him thousands of dollars, never in his whole career did he himself wrong anyone out of a penny. His unimpeachable integrity had almost passed into a local proverb; it was universally admitted clean to his latest hour by all who knew him personally or merely by reputation. He led a rarely gentle and blameless life filled with deeds of kindness and charity, not only to his own human kind but even to the dumb animals about him. His character, alike in private and public station, was a noble one, singularly unmarred by the little defects that too often alloy otherwise admirable natures.

In 1874 he married Miss Nancy M. Wright, eldest daughter of the late John W. Wright, Esq., of Middletown. Three daughters and two sons came to adorn a home spot that was nearly ideal.

Right well did the two clergymen, who spoke many appreciative words to the friends and neighbors met to pay their last respects to the honored dead, descant with feeling eloquence upon the beauty of that home! a delightful ingleside not only beautified by artistic bits from the already well known brush of his son, Stanley M. Arthurs, but made so by the divine adornment of an ever present loving courtesy and family affection mutually paid by parents and children. One may justly pronounce over the ashes of this good man gone, the eulogy spoken by Antony over Brutus:

"His life was gentle and the elements
"So mixed in him that Nature might stand up
"And say to all the world—this was a man."

Funeral services were held at his late residence in Kenton, on Sunday the 17th, whereat the Rev. Mr. Coppage, pastor of the Old School Baptist Churches near Kenton and at Felton, and the Rev. Elwood Jones, pastor of the M. E. Church, at Kenton, both paid warm tributes to his honorable life and character. On Monday following the remains were interred in the Forest Cemetery, near this place.

### Plans For New State House

The State House Commission met at Dover on Tuesday and adopted a plan suggested by Senator Conner. The present State House will be remodeled on the first floor, throwing the present Governor's office and the stairway into one room on the north side which will be occupied by the Secretary of State. The rooms south of the corridor will be thrown into one and these will be occupied by the Governor. A stairway will be built to the present library and the latter will be divided into legislative committee rooms. A new administration building will be erected on the site of the Jump property.

## PERSONALITIES.

Miss Clara Willits is visiting her brother in Philadelphia.

Miss Justine Peverley is visiting friends near Philadelphia.

Postmaster John A. Jolls was in Wilmington on Wednesday.

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, D. D., of Wilmington, was in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. John P. Cochran is entertaining her sister-in-law, Mrs. Tumlin.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dickinson were Philadelphia visitors on Thursday.

Miss Emily Allee has returned from a visit with relatives in Wilmington.

Mr. George D. Kelley, Jr., of Newark, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Mrs. M. B. Burris is staying with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Arthurs, in Kenton.

Mrs. V. L Culbertson, of Wilmington, was the guest of friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Mary Hutchin spent Sunday and Monday at Kirkwood, the guest of Mrs. R. T. Cann.

Miss Marie Lockwood has returned home, after spending sometime at Sarenac Lake, N. Y.

Mr. Jacob Burstan, of New York City, spent Thursday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Burstan.

Messrs. J. P. McIntyre, Paul Messick and Charles Cann were Atlantic City visitors this week.

Mrs. L. G. Sterner, of Camden, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker, part of this week.

Mrs. Julia Buere Kelley, of New Egypt, N. J., is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Kelley.

Mrs. N. M. Browne, of Wilmington, spent several days this week in town, the guest of Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

Dr. Robert A. Comegys, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Edwards, of near Millington, Md, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. John J. Jolls.

Mrs. Edward Reynolds has been visiting in Wilmington, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. D. P. Barnard.

### WITH THE NEW CENTURY CLUB

The afternoon spent at the New Century Club on Tuesday was unusually interesting. The first on the program was the greeting by the Club President, Mrs. Rebecca P. Cann. In this Mrs. Cann gave a synopsis of the year's work and told what is expected of the different members, each one of whom must join one of the different standing committees, and do her part in the year's work.

Miss Mary Hutchin gave a report of the State Federation which met in Smyrna last May. With very few notes, Miss Hutchin gave an exceedingly interesting report. "Our Touriste," Miss Ethel Brady chairman, consisted of an account of her trip to Niagara Falls, by Miss Eugenia Beasten, who closed her article in such poetic style, that the president said she was glad to know a member of the club was a poetess. Mrs. Charles Derrickson gave an account of a trip taken by her to Watkin's Glen. Miss Marie Lockwood gave an extempore account of her summer spent at Sarenac Lake. A paper from Mrs. Fannie H. Lockwood, a member of the club who is now making her home in Honolulu, was considered so good that it will be sent the Reciprocity Bureau.

An invitation to spend an afternoon in November with the Odessa Monday Club was read and accepted.

The program for next Tuesday includes: Business meeting; Current events, Home, Mrs. Fred Brady; Foreign, Mrs. Charles Derrickson; Hallowe'en story, Miss Hester Jones.

## ODESSA

Mr. Mailly Davis spent a few days this week in Philadelphia.

Mr. Richard Rhoades is visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Miss Marion Mifflin spent a few days this week in Philadelphia.

Mr. Harry Cook, of Philadelphia, spent a few days with friends here.

Mrs. R. L. Hallett and son are guests of friends in Baltimore this week.

Miss Ethel C. Ward is spending this week with relatives in Chester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Eccles spent a few days this week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. W. V. Louderbough, of Salem, N. J., is the guest of Mrs. John W. Watkins.

Mr. Robert Douglass spent a few days this week with friends in Medford, N. J.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ratledge, of Philadelphia, is spending this week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sacks and children were in Wilmington a few days this week.

Mr. Clarence P. Donovan left Saturday for Wilmington, where he has accepted a position.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightcap and son Delaware spent Sunday with friends in Townsend.

Mr. John Supther and son John, of Trenton, N. J., spent a few days with friends in town.

Miss Mary Massey has returned home after having a very pleasant visit with friends in Philadelphia.

## CECILTON

Harold Padley spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

S. M. Rosenberg, of Middletown, was in town on Monday.

Dr. R. M. Black was a Baltimore visitor a few days last week.

Mr. A. J. Watts, wife and son Edgar spent Sunday in Townsend, Del.

Harry Budd, of Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Margaret Oldham, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Davis.

Quite a number from here attended the revival services at Johntown Sunday evening.

Miss Nellie Oldham, of Georgetown, spent a few days last week with Mrs. G. W. Padley.

Mr. J. H. Black, wife and son James were entertained on Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. B. Redden.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beckman and son, of Philadelphia, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Stephens.

Miss Mary Blackway has returned home, after spending sometime with relatives and friends in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

## K. OF P. MEMBERS NAME OFFICERS

### H. S. Beasten of Damon Lodge, No. 12 Elected Grand Chancellor

Marshallton entertained about 140 guests Thursday at the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, Knights of Pythias, and it was probably the biggest day the lodge in that place ever experienced. At the afternoon session the grand officers were elected, as follows: Grand Chancellor, H. S. Beasten, Damon Lodge, No. 12, of Middletown; Grand Vice-Chancellor, C. A. Short, Osceola Lodge, No. 5, Newark; Grand Prelate, John H. Kuehforth, Lafayette Lodge, No. 2, Wilmington; Grand Keeper of Records and Seals, Mark L. Garrett, Champion Lodge, No. 6, Wilmington; Grand Master of the Exchequer, Lemuel Marr, Calanthia Lodge, No. 23, Wilmington; Grand Master at Arms, George H. Atwell, Delta Lodge, No. 24, Laurel; Grand Inner Guard, James J. Cohen, Calanthia Lodge, No. 23, Wilmington; Grand Outer Guard, Charles Hillegas, Lafayette Lodge, No. 2, Wilmington, and Supreme Representative Joseph C. Jolls, Middletown. The latter position was heatily contested for as it means to represent the Grand Lodge of Delaware at the Supreme Lodge meeting to be held in Milwaukee next August.

Little business other than the election of these officers and swearing them into their position was done than of a routine nature, which was not made public. A letter from the Great Council of Delaware, Improved Order of Red Men, inviting the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, to attend the dedication of the Red Men's Fraternal Home at Newark, was read.

The morning session was not as active as the afternoon, owing to the fact that only the annual reports were read and a few minor business matters transacted. The annual address of the grand chancellor, Max Ephraim, of Wilmington, was one of the most interesting the grand lodge has ever heard. He reviewed the work of the year and gave considerable valuable advice to the members in their future course.

## OBITUARY

### ANDREW W. WEBSTER

The sudden death of Andrew W. Webster which occurred at his home near Clayton Wednesday morning, was a great shock to his relatives and large circle of friends in that section, where he had spent the greater part of his useful life. Deceased had been unwell for many years. He was engaged in farming, and was 78 years of age, and for the last 50 years had been a trustee of Salem M. P. Church, where he took an active part in all church work up to the time of his death. He was a man of excellent habits and fine moral character, and continued to be active in his accustomed pursuits until long past the age at which men ordinarily drop out of the ranks of the workers, and his best monument will be the good record he has left behind him in the community where he has spent so many years.

A devoted widow and one brother are left to mourn his death. Funeral services will be held at Salem M.P. Church Sunday morning next, at 10 o'clock, and interment will be made in Townsend Cemetery.

### JOHN FORTNER

Sitting in his home, at No. 1122 Poplar street, Wilmington, talking to his wife and some friends Sunday evening John Fortner suddenly gave a gasp and fell dead upon the floor. The man was apparently in the best of health and those in the house were laughing and joking and enjoying a social evening when their joy was so quickly changed to grief.

Dr. H. C. Stevens was immediately summoned, but his services were not required, for when he arrived Fortner was dead. The physician was not positive Sunday night that heart disease had caused death. Fortner was a butcher employed in a King street store and was well known in the city. He was about thirty-two years old. Mr. Fortner was well-known in Middletown, having some two or three years since carried on the butcher business here at the old stand now occupied by George Echenhofer, on Main street.

### MRS. HENRY L. NEFF

Mrs. Henry L. Neff died at her home near Jamison's Corner Friday evening, October 15th, aged 52 years. Deceased had been a great sufferer and her death was not unexpected. Mrs. Neff was beloved by all who knew her, and leaves a devoted husband, two daughters and one son to mourn her death. She was a member of Bethesda M. E Church, and a consistent christian lady.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Vaughan S. Collins, assisted by Rev. C. T. Wyatt, of Wilmington, officiating; interment being made in Forest Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Julius G. Cleaver, Wilmer H. George, John W. Redgrave, Clarence J. Shahan, Harry Isaacs and Walter Deputy.

### PRESTON HARDCASTLE

News of the sudden death of Mr. Preston Hardcastle Wednesday night at the Palmer House, Chicago, Ill., was received here Thursday. With his son Preston he left New York one week ago on his regular Western trip.

The remains will be brought here for burial in Forest Cemetery. The funeral services will be held at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Thomas Cochran, on Crawford street, Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. All are invited to attend without further notice.

Mr. Hardcastle was born and raised on a farm near Greensboro, Md. He was the youngest son of Robert E. and Annie Hardcastle, and was 54 years old. He is survived by a widow, one son, Preston, one daughter, Miss Corinne B., and one brother, Mr. Frank Hardcastle, of New York, and one sister, Mrs. Thomas Cochran.

### CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. FOARD.

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| Wheat—No. 1 | $1.08 | Corn— | |
| " No. 2 | | Yellow, shelled | 67 |
| Timothy Seed | $2.50 | " cob | 55 |
| Clover Seed | .11½ | Oats | 60 |

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEE

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| Eggs, per doz | 30@32 |
| Country Butter, per lb | 30@36 |
| Creamery Butter, per lb | 39 |
| Lard, per lb | 13@16 |
| Live Chickens, per lb | 12@14 |
| Potatoes | 35@45 |

## TOWNSEND

Mrs. W. A. Scott spent Wednesday in Middletown.

Miss Anna Lawson visited her father at Elsmere Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dickson, of Wilmington, are visiting their parents here.

Mrs. Winfield Lattomus is spending a few days with her mother in Philadelphia.

Mr. Roe MacSorley, of Baltimore, Md., was an over Sunday visitor with his parents here.

The W. C. T. U. was entertained at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Money on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lightcap and son, of Odessa, were the guests of James Lee and family on Sunday.

Mr. Benjamin Morris, of Smyrna, was the guest of his sister, Mr. Thomas Wells and family, on Sunday.

Mr. J. A. Hart and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Naylor, near Odessa, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Money and daughter spent Sunday with James Carpenter and family, near Middletown.

Miss Ethel V. Lee is spending the last few days of this week with Mr. William Carey and family near Smyrna.

Miss Ethel Lee returned home on Saturday last, after a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives near Smyrna.

Misses Elith and Mildred Ginn, of near town, had as their guests on Sunday Messrs. Walter B. Finley, Camby Brown and Howard Cane, of Wilmington, and Miss Anna VanDyke.

Mrs. L. L. Maloney and daughter, Mrs. Edward Reynolds, Mrs. Walter Money, and Mrs. George Daniels and daughter, spent Wednesday with Mr. David Lynam and family, in Smyrna.

## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS
—OF—
## Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT BLACKBIRD, WATSON'S STORE
OCTOBER 30th, 1909,
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT FLEMING'S LANDING,
OCTOBER 25th, 1909,
From 1 to 4 P. M.

AT DELANEY'S,
(DAVIS' STORE)
OCTOBER 22d, 1909,
From 1 to 3 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY:

Section 3—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January five per centum thereof shall be added thereto.

JOHN BEITH,
Collector of Taxes for BlackbirdHundred

## DR. RYAN INDICTED

Three indictments were found Tuesday afternoon against Dr. William T. Ryan, of Smyrna. Each presentment made by the Grand Jury against the veterinarian was for selling in "dry" Kent county. By a custom of the court, persons convicted of liquor selling after pleas of not guilty get one year; those pleading guilty get six months, all at labor in the workhouse.

Dr. Ryan's accuser in the first case is Walter Brown. The second case offers Robert Brown as State's evidence, and the third, Isaac Vance. There is also an array of other witnesses.

### Card of Thanks

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to our many friends for their kindness and sympathy bestowed upon us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

H. L. NEFF AND DAUGHTER.

## SAN JOSE SCALE SPREADING

The principal commercial apple orchards of the country are destined to become affected with the San Jose Scale, according to a bulletin entitled "Fumigation of Apples for the San Jose Scale," just published by the Department of Agriculture. The scale is spreading rapidly over vast areas each year.

Although there are numerous orchards not yet affected in the eastern and western states, where the disease is well established, there is no doubt, according to the bulletin that these soon will be visited by scale. It is regarded as a certainty that there will be a spread of it west of the Mississippi.

The bulletin treats of the fumigation of the trees and fruit and contains a statement that a "little careless in spraying, the use of improper solution or unfavorable weather conditions at time of making applicati ns may allow the survival of the scale in sufficient numbers to result, later in the season, in their settling in considerable numbers upon the fruit.


# MESSICK'S!

## Special Sale,

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29,

At two o'clock, P. M.

**14 qt. Galvanized Water Pails**

Heavy Steel, galvanized double seams, strong bales, firmly riveted ears. Regular price 25c. Friday, **10c.**

**6 qt. Seamless Agate Preserving Kettles**

Beautiful gloss, mottled on heavy steel base. Every piece guaaanteed. Regular price 35c. Friday's sale, **19c.**

**No. 8 Size Waffle Irons**

Brilliant, heavy iron, extra finish, drain pan 7 3-4 inch, drain ring 9 7-8 inch. Wood handles. Regular price, 75c. Friday's sale, **33c.**

## J. B. MESSICK,

Cochran Block, Middletown, Del.



## Overcoats

The New Protector Style for the Young Fellows, High School and College Boys, $10 $12, $15 and up to $25. New Cheviots and Greys Plain Coats for Plain Men, $8 to $20; Silk lined, $25 to $40. Fall Overcoats, in Blacks and Oxfords, $8 to $15; silk lined, $15 to $30. Fancy Cheviots and Rain Coats in Plain and Protector style, $8 to $25. Little Boys' Reefers, $2.50 to $8 in Cheviots. $4 to $10 in Blue, Red, Brown and Grey Chinchillas, sizes 3 to 12 years. We have the best line of Overcoats we have ever shown, and you will find styles, quality and prices right. Come and look them over.

MULLIN'S MEN'S STORE
WILMINGTON



## ACADIA BUTTER

**The Butter That's Always Good**

Many a good dinner has been spoiled by a poor Butter. If you would have a Butter that's ALWAYS GOOD try Acadia.

Those who have used Acadia Butter know how good it is. They know its delicious flavor; they know how it comes packed in hermetically-sealed cartons to preserve its good qualities; they know it is a PURE butter; they know all these things, and that is why they continue to use it year after year.

This advertisement is not meant for those who know. It is for the benefit of those who have not yet become acquainted with Acadia Butter.

Sold by all first-class grocers. Don't take any other—insist upon Acadia.

Middletown Farms,
Middletown, Del.
Pure Dairy Products

# WHAT DOES YOUR MIRROR SAY TO YOU?

DO you absolutely require a new hat or will your old one do awhile yet with a little making over? A feather or ribbon added here and there—perhaps somewhat differently shaped. In either case you may have the benefit of our expert knowledge and artistic ability—without the least obligation—with a perfect certainty that we shall advise you rightly. Our prices are about half that of the city milliner or department stores, and the utmost value in material, workmanship and style,

A SPECIAL THIS WEEK THE EXACT REPRODUCTION OF FRENCH MODELS—ONE ONLY—AT $6-$8-$10-$12-$15-$25.

MISSES SPURGEON
Main and Cass Streets Middletown.

# THE GIRL FROM THE WEST

BY W. R. ROSE

The young man frowned a little over the outlook from his office window. It wasn't what he saw, however, that brought the frown, it was what he heard.

He held the telephone receiver a little closer to his ear.

Yes, he said, I understand. You say your Western friend has come? The girl you've been expecting. I remember. What's that? Awfully wise? Oh, nice, Of course she must be. I don't get that? You want me to take her to the ball game this afternoon? Isn't that rather sudden? Yes, I know the club is going West to-night. Eh! You can't go yourself? I'm to go with her alone. Isn't she a stickler for chaperons? No? All right, Mary. I'll sacrifice myself on friendship's altar. Be there at 2.30. Yes. Good-bye.

He hung up the receiver with a fretful jerk.

Confound it, he growled as he tilted back in his desk chair. That's carrying friendship a little too far. If it was anybody but Mary I'd say no, no, no! He picked up a copy pad and flung it down again. I particularly wanted to enjoy the game to-day. It's sure to be a hummer. And here I'm chained to a strange girl who probably never saw a game before—and every time she opens her mouth the crowd will snicker. And there will be somebody close by who knows me. Why doesn't the gentleman with the stick hit the ball instead of missing it? He suddenly laughed. Oh, well, he cried, I'm doing it for Mary. And Mary is Jim's sister; she's been very good to me. I'm not going to forget how Jim sent for her and she came to Cambridge when I was bowled over by the fever. It will be a long time before I get even with her for that. He picked up his pencil. From the West, eh, and never been East before? It makes me shiver.

Nevertheless, he buckled down to his work and resolutely crowded things ahead so he could be spared from the office at an early hour.

At exactly the appointed time he was at Mary Sterling's home quite prepared to wait certain indefinite minutes while the girl from the West completed her toilet.

But no she was on the porch with Mary, batted and gloved and ready for the start.

Anna, said Mary, this is our very good friend. John Remington, Miss Hardy, John.

John cast a quick glance at the girl from the West as they shook hands. She was above medium height, well built, and carried herself well. She wore a tan linen and her hat was black with a single rose.

She was slightly dark, with big black eyes and when she smiled there were certain elusive dimples about her mouth that seemed to scorn any settled location.

She was smiling when she greeted John Remington.

You certainly deserve the title of good friend, Mr. Remington, she said. I have a very strong impression that men do not like to take women to ball games—they are quite sure to say such silly things. I'll try hard to remember this, and you must be very patient with me.

John laughed. There was something really delightful about the childlike simplicity of the big girl.

I'll promise to behave the very best I know how—at a ball game, he said. That's the place, you know, where a man's real nature comes out—where the barbarian in him fisses to the top. But I'll do my best to remember.

The girl from the West looked at Mary Sterling.

You never said a word about this barbarian uprising, Mary dear, she cried reproachfully.

Run along, laughed Mary. All the good seats will be gone if you don't hurry.

It wasn't a long walk to the game; if it hadn't been for the game John would have wished it longer. The girl from the West talked in a lively and pleasing fashion of her impressions of the East and John for the most part listened. There was one thing certain, he told himself, there was nothing about the appearance of this Western maiden need cause him any uneasiness—quite the contrary, in fact.

It was evident that other people expected the game would be a hummer. When John and the girl entered the grand stand a majority of the seats were taken, but John's quick eye detected [illegible] vacant places in the [illegible] afraid of cha[illegible] fouls, he said, we will sit here. And then he remembered that it was quite likely the girl knew no more about fouls than she did about Sanscrit.

Do you think I ought to be afraid? she mildly asked.

He assured her that the danger was slight, and after they were seated he looked around in the hope that he was out of earshot of his friends. To his relief he failed to discover any personal acquaintance in his immediate neighborhood.

Here, he thought, was an admirable opportunity to give the girl a few instructions in the art of playing the game.

Her big black eyes were taking in the field, the stands, the coming crowd, the big scoreboard—and she nodded in admiration.

It's a beautiful scene, she said.

And then he gently called her attention to the details of the game and the rules.

He did this in a painstaking manner, making it as clear as possible and speaking in a guarded voice.

She listened attentively.

You are very good and patient, she said, and I will try hard to remember all you have told me. And if I don't remember I will do my best to keep still.

No, no, he said, you must ask all the questions you care to ask I don't want to spoil your enjoyment, and it would be spoiled if things happened that you couldn't understand.

John felt that he was very magnanimous in this, his magnanimity being considerably strengthened by the fact that the people about him were strangers.

Very well, said the girl. And if I ask anything too dreadful you must give me a barbarian look and scare me back into silence.

The out-of-town team came on the field and went through its practice; and John pointed out the players and explained their special lines of skill, and the girl gave him close attention.

I have seen the names of these men in the papers, she said, and it's certainly a pleasure to have them pointed out. I want to tell you, Mr. Remington, that I am enjoying all this more than I can say. There is a charm about the scene, a hypnotic attraction. I don't wonder that men are drawn here—and under the circumstances it is very good of them to let the ladies come too.

As long as she talked like this John was contented. He was afraid of what might happen after the play began.

Then the gong sounded and the home team had its practice, and again John pointed out the players and the girl listened closely.

Do you know the tall young man who is just opposite us? she asked.

John looked at the player and then stared at his score card.

That must be the young Western pitcher who has just joined the club and who gets his first chance in a big game to-day. His name is Garth and he is what is called a phenomenon—that is a player who has done wonderful things.

I hope he will do wonderful things to-day, said the girl.

That's scarcely to be hoped, laughed John. He will be up against the heaviest hitting team in the league, and the chances are that he will lose his nerve long before the game is over.

That would be too bad, said the girl. He looks so young and hopeful.

According to the papers, John went on, he should be good for about six innings. In the seventh he is altogether likely to go to pieces.

Let's hope the papers are wrong, said the girl, sympathetically. I can see that the game will mean so much to him.

I will, John answered. If he makes a good showing his place in the league is assured. If he falls down hard there is no present hope for him. He will have to turn to his bush league and work and wait for another chance.

The girl nodded.

Do you know, she said, and of course it's presumptious, but I think the young man will stay.

John laughed at this exhibition of sympathy.

There's very little sentiment about baseball, he said. If the boy can fool those big batters he's good [illegible] batters slam the ball as hard and far as they know how.

Poor boy, said the girl.

And then the game commenced.

You are quite sure you know about the men and their positions, said John, by the way of warning.

I think so. She suddenly laughed. I know which the umpire is, anyway.

John looked around, but nobody seemed to have heard her.

You don't mind, said the girl with a quick look at him, if I devote myself closely to the game and ask very few questions?

John said he didn't mind and a sudden look of relief overspread his face.

It was a good game, a very good game. If there was anything that it lacked it was batting. The home team approached powerless against the seasoned pitcher who had so often held them at his mercy.

And the tall young man whose hour of ordeal was at hand acquitted himself manfully. Try as they would the big hitters failed to solve the mysteries of his delivery.

If he will only last, muttered John Remington, and the words were fervently echoed by thousands of eager watchers.

Our young man is doing pretty well, isn't he? the girl presently asked.

Wonderfully well, John answered. But can he last?.

He must, said the gir! And somehow, in the excitement, John failed to notice the emphasis of the remark, nor its confident ring.

Neither team had scored when the seventh inning opened. The young pitcher faced the heavy hitter at the head of the enemy's batting list. The batter met the first ball pitched and drove it over the second baseman's head. Then the visitors' coach woke up. His glib tongue began a wild tirade that was calculated to rattle the nerve of a stoic. The youngster in the pitcher's box could not steel his jeers. The first ball he pitched went wide, and but for a superhuman effort on the part of the catcher would have passed.

John Remington looked at the girl. She was leaning foward, her lips parted, her eyes shining. As the catcher stopped the wild pitch she gave a sudden gasp.

The batter swung hard at the second ball and drove it far over the centre, field. But fielder was awake and pulled it down after a fierce run.

There was no denying the fact that the youngster was weakening, and the bellowing coach danced around in an ecstasy of of delight.

The third batter had only to wait and walk. The fourth batter stuck once imprudently, and then waited—and the bases were full with one out and the hardest hitter in the team at the bat.

The young pitcher looked about him. His glance rested a moment on the bench. The signal he may have expected did not come.

The ball went high. A groan arose from the crowd, and the opposing coach wow wowed like a wild man.

The pitcher had run forward to prevent a possible steal. As he took the ball from the catcher a clear voice thrilled his ears.

The girl, the girl from the West, was calling to him. He looked around with a quick start.

Steady, Teddy, steady, steady! she chanted.

The youngster suddenly smiled.

Steady, Teddy, steady, steady!

Those who were nearest caught the words, and, quick to respond, chanted them with the girl. The chant spread and swelled, louder, louder. It grew to a roar.

The irritating shriek of the coach was drowned in that rhythmical shout of encouragement.

Steady, Teddy, steady, steady!

The boy was smiling as he faced the batter. He waved his hand to the crowd.

Then he retired the batter with three consecutive balls.

And the third man went out on a pop fly that the catcher secured.

The tension was slackened; the boy had found his nerve again.

As the fly dropped to the catcher the chant stopped and a wild roar arose—a tribute to the triumphant twirler.

He pulled off his cap in a shame faced way as he passed to the bench—whereat they roared again. The boy's pace slackened and his keen eyes searched the lower row of seats. Suddenly his face lightened and he pulled off his cap once more.

John Remington stared at the [illegible] just a moment he was [illegible] and hurt by the prom[illegible] he had given her self. And then progress of the exciting little drama made him forget all else.

The girl looked around at him. Her face was still flushed, her eyes still shining.

Shocked? she asked.

Not seriously, he stammered.

Teddy's all right now, said the girl. You'll see.

And he was all right. After that attack of the nerves he braced up and pitched a perfect game—a game which took eleven innings and a home run by the second baseman of the home team to finish.

It was a wildly delighted crowd that swarmed from the grounds, and the fame of the new pitcher was secure.

Will you wait a moment or two? said the girl. I know I've misbehaved, and I'm very sorry for it.

John suddenly laughed.

I know that you have sent 7000 people away from here happy, he said. How can I upbraid you? He looked at her sharply. You know this young pitcher?

Yes. We are from the same college. I came to the game to see him play.

John's face flushed a little.

And you let me think you knew nothing about baseball.

You seemed to take it for granted. I will admit that I have played the game. We girls had what we considered a very fair team—for the woolly West. Of course we all knew about Teddy Garth and his weak spots. We made that chant to put heart and life in him at critical moments—and it never failed.

A pound man was stretching up his hand to the girl.

You did it, Anna, he cried. It came at the exact psychological moment. The old chant stunned me at first—then I laughed and the danger was passed.

The girl touched John Remington's sleeve.

Mr. Remington, she said. I want you to meet that promising young pitcher, Teddy Garth. In addition to his other good qualities he has the advantage of being my cousin.

Pitcher Garth shook his head at her.

Tell them all about it when you write home, he said. Good-bye.

As the girl and John passed up the street she suddenly smiled.

Am I forgiven? she asked.

On one condition, he answered. You must give me further opportunity to instruct you in something which you already understand very much better than I do.

And the girl from the West laughed.


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The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1909 are now due, and the undersigned, administrator or John W. Denny, deceased, Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

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JOHN E. DENNY,
Administrator for John W. Denny, deceased, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.



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WILLIAM C. MONEY,
Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred



REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Jan. 13, 1909

Upon the application of Howard A. Pool, Administrator of Ella P. Cochran, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein ten times.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

(SEAL)

FRANCIS M. WALKER, Register of Wills.

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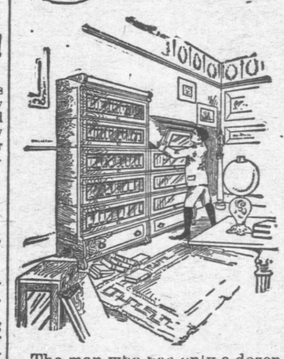

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